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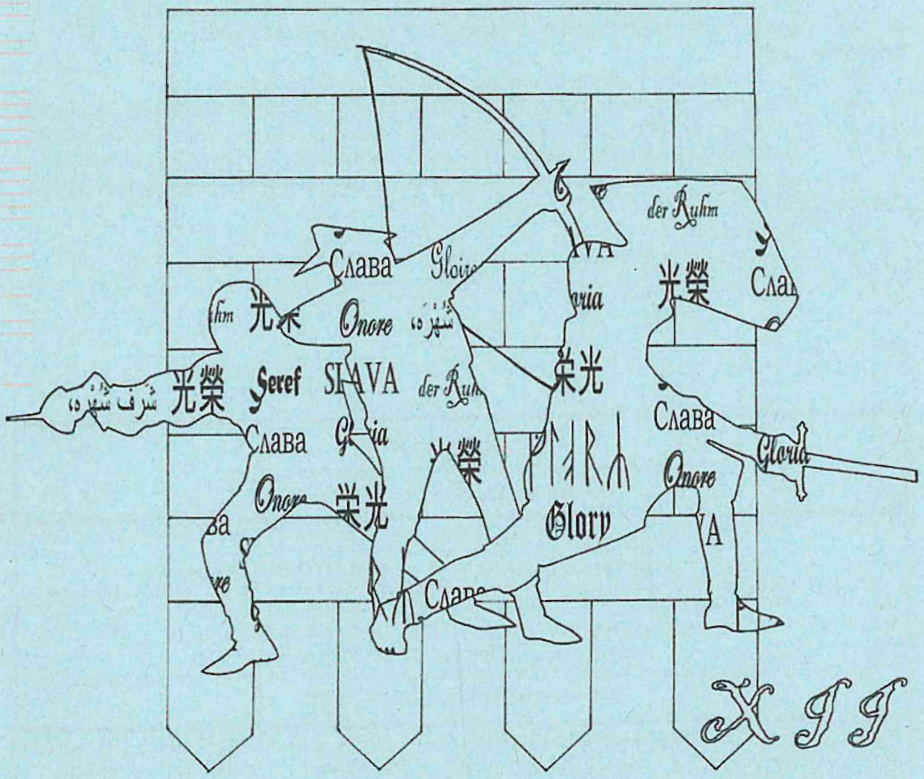

Agincourt and One Hundred years of Glory

Hosted by the Barony of Unser Hafen

Official Calendar of Events

July 2009

◈ ♣ 1-5 Glory (Unser Hafen) Soren Thorvaldsson 719-761-4387
♣ 2-5 Known World Dance Symposium VII (Kingdom of Ealdormere) Emma Dansmeyla 519 940 0047
♣ 9-12 Lonely Mountain Defender (Drygestan) Theresa Cabeza de Vaca 505-412-3763
♣ 17-19 Defender's Folly (Caer Galen) Cera ingen Ronain 303-883-1743
◈ ♣ 18 Fontaine Fun Days Baronial Polling (Fontaine dans Sable) Ceara McCain 505-326-5407
◈ ♣ 23-26 Baron's War (Dragonsspine) Zafirah al-Aliyyah 719-237-3042

August 2009

♣ 1 Unser Hafen Champions (Unser Hafen) Garin de Gent 303-775-2441
♣ 1 Southern A&S Colleguim (Fontaine dans Sable) Michelet MacRae Chauvaux 505-860-5195
◈ ♣ 14-16 Clann War (Nahrun Kabirun) Corbin de Heather 575-621-2388
♣ 14-16 Dragon's Quest Returns (Hinterland) Robard Matray 308-641-8286
♣ 15 St. Sebastians (Hawks Hollow) Cecelia Corr Mhaire 303-433-0132
♣ 15 Ice Cream Social (Caer Galen) Massimiliano 303-666-6885
♣ 22 Black Hart Ball (Readstan) Magdalena Lucia Ramberti 720-207-8106
◈ ♣ 28-30 Here There Be Dragons (Plattefordham) Eban 307-473-5658

September 2009

♣ 4-7 Three Stags (Caerthe) Alessandra de Monte 720-898-5676
◈ ♣ 4-7 Wardens of the Western Gate (Fontaine dans Sable) Dagan An PotAire 505-320-8906
♣ 10-14 Long's Peak Scottish/Irish Festival (Hawks Hollow) Cecelia Corr Mhaire 303-433-0132
◈ ♣ 12-13 Crown Tournament (Caerthe) Kseniya Mikhailouna Morskaya 720-981-0478
♣ 18-20 Santa Fe Renaissance Fair (Drygestan) Maimuna al-Bukhairiyya 505-670-3594

October 2009

♣ 10 Stag's Con
♣ 24 Dance Macabre (Caer Galen) Jeanne & Yazida 720-890-7267

Royal Progress:

◉ - His Majesty plans to attend ○ - Her Majesty plans to attend.
◈ - Their Majesties both plan on attending.

Official events are marked with a ♣ on the above calendar.

How to ensure your event is listed as an Official Outlands Event:

Email or mail (see contact information on page 7 of the Outlandish Herald) your completed event registration form to the Kingdom Event Coordinator at: *kingdomcalendar@outlands.org*) **AND**
Email or mail a discription of the event to *Chronicler@outlands.org*

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Greetings unto the grand populace of the Outlands,

We, Maelgwn III and Sabine, King and Queen, would like to wish you all good tidings.

Our travels thus far have taken us to our lands in the Barony of al-Barran, and we would like to thank Baron Gregor and Baroness Monika for their time and energy spent seeing after our lands. Now that they have turned to another path in life, we would like to share in the excitement as Sir Hrorek and Countess Slaine step into their shoes and guide the populace of al-Barran onto a new path as the new Baron and Baroness of al-Barran. We would ask our populace to give them the same support that you have given in the past.

We would also wish to acknowledge Michael Patrick MacBain as he received the accolade of Chivalry, and to Christopher Blackwood as he was offered the accolade of Pelican for his years of service to the Kingdom.

Our travels have taken us afar to the Kingdom of Calontir to visit Our cousins at the Lilies war, and We give many thanks to the many members of Our populace that attended this glorious event with Us. It brought Us great joy to show the diversity of our people outside of Our lands.

As you are reading these words, We are preparing Ourselves to journey to the Barony of Unser Hafen to attend Glory XII, and then onto the Barony of Fontaine dans Sable to hear the words of its populace as We seek out those that will lead the Barony onto a new path. Finally, We will travel to the Barony of Dragonsspine to enjoy in the merriment of Baron's War. At these events We look forward to seeing old friends and making new.

In service to the populace of this great kingdom,

Maelgwn III and Sabine
King and Queen of the Outlands

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Kingdom Seneschal

Greetings,

Congratulations to Hrorek and Slaine, the new Baron and Baroness of al-Barran. Good luck!

The polling for the Coronet of Fontaine dans Sable will be held on July 18th. See the article on page 16 for more information.

White Stag Principle Herald is looking for a deputy. If you are interested in learning the ins and outs of heraldry now is your chance. Please contact the Honorable Lady Marie for more information. Also the Honorable Lord Christopher, Interim-Society & current Kingdom Webminister, is looking for deputies at both levels. If you are interested in the webministry please drop him a line.

There are still a ton of great events to attend this summer. With gas prices going back up, offer a ride to someone. Car pooling is fun, saves money and is a great way to make new friends!

Ceah

White Stag

I'd like to begin a new feature - describing some of the kingdom staff herald positions each month. This month, I'd like to introduce a very summer-relevant herald: Plover Herald. Currently THL Angus Reid MacFarlane, Plover is the herald for field heraldry - teaching others about field heraldry and town crying, and organizing heraldry for the tournies at Crown and Coronation. Another heraldic thing that happens a lot during the summer is heraldic display. Stags Attire Herald is the herald for information on heraldic display, and Lord Roderick MacLeod currently holds this office.

THL Llywus, Weel Herald for education, is currently working on a new version of the Heralds Handbook and the Guide for Submissions. If you have feedback or input for him regarding these documents, please contact him at weel@outlandsheralds.org.

On behalf of the College of Heralds, I would like to offer condolences to the family and friends of His Lordship Pendar the Bard. His many years of service as a herald both with book and in court have helped shape the College and he will be remembered fondly.

For those travelling to Pennsic, there will be heraldic consultation and classes available. The Known World Heralds and Scribes Sympoisum is coming up in September, over Labor Day weekend. More info at: http://kwhss2009.com/ I'll be going to both and hope to see some of you there!

No LoARs were issued since my last letter. You can track submissions yourself via the submissions website:
http://submissions.outlandsheralds.org/ and see the LoARs at: http://heraldry.sca.org/loar/

Marie de Blois

Chronicler

Hello,

Are you going to go to Glory this month? Did you notice the event even if you hadn't planed on it. Get your event noticed by creating cover art for the Outlandish Herald! It does not cost anything but is offered on a first come first serve basis, and is the first thing people will see when they recive the Outlandish Herald.

On a sepArate note, We have many fine artisans in the Outlands. I ask that you share your knowege by writing an article about your craft, and what you do. Please help others across our kingdom by sharing your wisdom.

YiS

Lady Caoilinn ingen Chaoimhin Ó Taidc

Earl Marshal

Greetings!

Two meetings have been held (south - outlandish; north - glory) for all marshals. The purpose of these meetings is to spread new information regarding various rules and changes and to create a list of active marshals for the Outlands. This first list will be published in the next OH. There is one more meeting and that will be at Stag's Con. The populace of the Outlands needs to have a list of active marshals for all categories (heavy, light, archery, combat archery, siege, equestrian) and these active marshals have agreed to stay current and be available.

All marshals are to attend one of these meetings each year.

One major change is with thrusting tips for heavies. For all single handed weapons, and two handed weapons up to and including 7' 6", low profile thrusting tips have been approved. The tips still must follow all other rules regarding thrusting tips (e.g. progressive give, covering the edge of the rattan). I am asking that all groups and their knight marshals closely monitor this change. Excessive force is still not allowed. So please, calibrate and have fun.

Sir Dennis the Wright

Rapier Marshall

Outlanders, the time for new ideas for the rapier scenarios at Estrella war is now. If you have ideas, send them to me. The main things to keep in mind are:

- Large unit numbers, at least 100 per side.
- Simplicity: the more convoluted, the less useable.
- Clear-cut victory and/or ending.
- FUN!

I look forward to hearing from you.

Don Ulrich Krieger

Archer General

This will be a very busy summer for archery. There are lots of events that hold the promise of many good shoots. All archers, please take the time to look at your authorization card and check the date. It is up to you to remember when your authorization expires. We want to see you enjoy the many events that will be taking place.

Our new Royal Archer is Sir Mika Longbow. His bow was the best that day, congratulations to him. The Crown has made this a working position rather than merely ceremonial so expect to see more of our Royal Archer representing our community as an active member of Their Majesties' retinue.

One thing that I would like to encourage is more people becoming Archery Marshals. By doing this the range is safer, by the fact that more people are looking at different things. I would also like to encourage existing Archery Marshals to become more active. These simple actions allow the Archer Marshal in Charge of the line to get help and relief from other marshals. Being MIC can be a thankless job when one doesn't have time to enjoy the activities they are running but with a little help from everyone even the MIC can have fun!

It has been brought to my attention that there have not been that many Royal Rounds or IKAC's shot this year. Well, by having many marshals the load can be split. Just because you are the Marshal in Charge, this does not mean that you have to run everything on the line...get help and share the load. Becoming a marshal is not hard, if you have been shooting for at least a year, talk to other marshals, read the handbook and get trained. Most people can become a marshal in just a few practices. The handbook is available with the rules at http://archery.outlands.org/Default.aspx?tabid=319.

A reminder that ALL Royal Round and IKAC scores must be turned in to the kingdom scorekeeper Lady Constanza within 2 weeks of the shoot. If they are IKAC's she will then forward them to the IKAC contact. This allows Lady Constanza to calculate ranks with minimal delays as well as tracking participation trends throughout the kingdom.

The MIC is responsible for turning in the scores, so if you are an Archery Marshal and would like to see more Royal Rounds, IKACs or your favorite shoot, contact the MIC for any event you are attending and volunteer to run one! The MIC will work with you to set up a time for your shoot. You will handle sign-up, scoring, and marshalling and get the scores to the MIC. It's a pretty painless way to start seeing more of the shoots you enjoy while giving our MICs the chance to enjoy shooting at an event as well. For multiple day events, if several marshals volunteer to help with just one shoot a day everyone will get a much broader variety of shoots, greater opportunities for everyone to shoot for score, and YOU get to help make YOUR favorite archery activities happen more often!

THC Angus Montgomery the Forrester

Arts & Sciences Minister

Greetings from the Outgoing A&S Minister,

As all may know at this time, THLady Emery de Fitton (Kimberly Butler) stepped into my position as the new Kingdom A&S Minister at Grand Outlandish. She has worked with me the last two years setting up Kingdom A&S competition. This year she was the Queen's Prize Coordinator, has held the title of Kingdom Overall Champion twice, enters competitions in various forms from Estrella War to local and has taught a variety of A&S classes. Please welcome her and introduce yourself when you get a chance.

Kingdom A&S Event was wonderful and I would like to thank those who assisted. First, Thank you to the Autocrat of the event, Lady Kimberly Blackwood, she and her volunteers made this an easy event and to THL Emery de Fitton for Queen's Prize Coordinator. Thank you's also go to those who assisted during the event: M. Ann Alize de Bale, M. Lea de Montgomery, Cerwydwn, Duchess Madigan, L. Bevin, THL Maimuna, Lady Michelet "MaCrae" Chavaux and several of her friends (I'm sorry I did not get your names), Heather Holter and Isabella di Francesco Ambrosini. I apologize if I left anyone out.

I would also like to thank the numerous judges (no specific order): THL Diana Of Llanberris, THL Maimuna al-Bukhariyya, Duchess Madigan of Kandahar, L Edmund Peregrine, M. Monika von Zell, Sir Jochen von Balduinseck, M. Roszsa Laszlo, M. Margaida da Gama (Meenakshi), M. Ymanya Murray, L. Kaliyan Kali, THL Madgalena Lucia Ramberti, L. Isabella de Fransesco Ambrosini, M. Ryan de Caergybi, M. Cailte Caitchairn, L. Anna Katherine von Teltge, THL Emery de Fitton, THL Bjorn Palsson, Baroness Asta Olafsdottir. Again, Thank you judges, it could not have been done without you.

Last but not least, I want to thank all of those who have been my deputies and put your time and effort in this office. M. Grellán ÓConchobhair, THL Maimuna al-Bukhariyya, THL Isabel Benet, L. Isabella di Francesco Ambrosini, THL Bronwen of Hindscroft, L. Khalidah bint Yahya'a, THL Diana of Llanberis. I thank you all from the bottom of my heart, I could not have done it without you.

YIS,
Mistress Tana a l'Esprit Fort

Minister of Children

Instead of my usual Minister of Children Letter for July, I have created an introductory article on the newly created Outlands Academy of Pages.

Jayne Barber

Outlands Academy of Pages

The Outlands Academy of Pages has been created for Outlands children and teens, ages 8 and up and will give our youth many more opportunities to learn about the arts, sciences, marshal arts, service, history and the SCA. All youth will be able to participate in Page Academy classes and activities at events, whether or not they are enrolled in the Page Academy. Enrollment forms, the Page Handbook and other information will be available from the Page Academy website in August.

Advancement through the three levels in the Academy will be based on the credits the Page earns in the areas of arts and sciences, marshal arts, SCA knowledge, service and by creating projects. Upon completing the three levels in the Academy, Pages can choose to enter the **Outlands Page University** as a Senior Page. Senior Pages will work more intensively in their areas of interest, learn a lot about the behind-the-scenes work in their local SCA group, complete three mentoring projects and participate in discussion and advanced classes in their areas of interest.

The heart of the Page Academy is the "**Class-in-a-Bag**" and we hope that you will create at least one of these "classes" for the Outlands. The classes will be available both physically and on-line through the Page Academy website, thus greatly expanding the resources and learning opportunities for both our youth and adults. The classes will spread the wealth of our knowledge throughout our kingdom and help individuals who want to teach a given subject, but don't have the resources available within their local groups. By creating a Class-in-a-Bag, the information you gather and write for your Class will be enjoyed and enrich our youth and populace for many years to come.

We want Academy classes to be informative and fun. Ideally an Academy class would involve teaching using a historical, instructional script of 10-15 minutes, followed by a handout with discussion and then a related activity. The script would include historical information, such as how it impacted life in the Middle Ages, but could also include comparisons between history and how we recreate it today within the SCA. We want all classes to have this script and preferably a handout, but the classes can also include pictures, visual aids, a frequently asked questions sheet, an activity or anything else you think would add to your class. Any specialty equipment needed for the classes would be provided and maintained by the Academy. When practical, A&S classes should also have a hands-on time for the Pages to learn and practice the craft.

A very special thank you to Lady Morwyn from Readstan for her research, concepts, writing and many edits of the Page Academy Handbook. If you are interested in creating a Class-in-a-Bag or want more information about the Outlands Academy of Pages, please contact Jayne Barber, krege@aps.edu, 505-293-7453.

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The Battle of Agincourt

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One Hundred Years of Glory

Hosted by the Barony of Unser Hafen
1-5 July 2009
Site opens 1pm on July 1. Site closes noon on July 5.
LCCC-BLM Property, Buford, WY
Autocrat: Soren Thorvaldsson (Soren Nicholson)
1813 Belmar Dr. #D7, Ft. Collins, CO 80526
719-761-7387 or ib24601@yahoo.com
Fees: Adults (13+) $25 pre-reg; $28 on site
Children (6-12) $12 pre-reg; $14 on site; under 5 free
Day trip: $12
$3 nonmember surcharge applies
Please make checks payable to "SCA Inc. – Unser Hafen"
Site is Wet, pets must be on a leash and there is no potable water on site.

Check www.glorywar.org for more information and schedules!

Come join the Barony of Unser Hafen for its twelfth annual Glory War. This year we meet on the fields of Agincourt. The Hundred Years War, lasting from 1337 until 1453, was a defining time for the history of both England and France. The war started in May 1337 when King Philip VI of France attempted to confiscate the English territories in the duchy of Aquitaine. It ended in July 1453 when the French finally expelled the English from the continent (except for Calais). The Hundred Years War was a series of chevauchees (plundering raids), sieges and naval battles interspersed with truces and uneasy peace.

Tournaments for Heavy Weapons, Rapier, Archery and Thrown Weapons are being scheduled. Arts and Sciences classes and Youth Programs will be available for all who wish to participate. Shopping and daytime activities will tempt you. The evenings will play host to various parties and social gatherings. Bardic competitions will keep all entertained. Truly something for everyone!

Free Breakfast comes with your site fee. This year the White Rose Inn will be offering an optional evening Feast Plan. The plan is limited to 80 persons. Check the Glory web site for more information and menu.

Pre-Registration and registration through ACCEPS will be available for discounted rates. Again, check the web site for all information.

Merchants highly encouraged to contact the Merchants Coordinator soon. Prime spaces given to first reserved. Check the web site for further details.

Directions: Take your best route to I-80 in Wyoming. Take exit #335 (Buford) and turn to the North. Follow the road to the right at the mailboxes and continue on the dirt road for 4.4 miles. The road can be very rough with steep hills, deep washboards and ruts. Please drive slowly and carefully. There will be an SCA sign at the turnoff. Turn into the campground on the left. Parking is on a meadow and somewhat limited, so please be polite and careful when parking.

Lonely Mountain Defender

July 9-12, 2009
Sponsoring Group: Shire of Drygestan
Location: Graduation Flats (Santa Fe National Forest), Forest Road 289
(aka: St. Peter's Dome Road), Jemez, New Mexico, 87025
Site opens Thursday at 12:00 pm and closes Sunday at 12:00 pm
Autocrat: La Dona Honorada Theresa Cabeza de Vaca (Teri Daly)
4245 B Ridgeway Drive, Los Alamos, NM 87544; 505-412-3763; too_be_free@hotmail.com
Deputy Autocrat: THLady Maimuna al-Bukhariyya (Kate Daniel)
2730 Alamosa Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505; 505-670-3594;
thlmaimuna@gmail.com
Site Fee: $15.00 for adults (ages 17+), $5.00 (ages 3-16), free (ages 0-2)
$3.00 non-member surcharge applies
Please make checks payable to "SCA, Inc. – Shire of Drygestan."
Site Status: Wet, and sometimes Rainy

Greetings, all good gentles and be of good cheer for the great Lonely Mountain Defender draws nigh! Enjoy days of frivolity, fighting and fun in the lovely high mountain meadow.

Lonely Mountain is at an elevation of approximately 9,500 feet, in the midst of the Jemez Mountains and the Santa Fe National Forest, between Los Alamos, NM, and Cuba, NM. Be prepared for hot afternoons, occasional rains, and cold nights. There is no water on site, so be sure to bring plenty. The US Forest Service will set fire restrictions, if any, at the time of the event. As in years past, please stay updated on the Forest closures and event news on our website (www.drygestan.outlands.org). Our camping is restricted to the meadow-side of the road (as in years past). There will be no merchanting. As in years past, the back-road is permanently closed. There is RV/trailer parking available, but no hook-ups, in a meadow not far from the site (about 100 yards away). Please let the Autocrat know if you are bringing an RV or travel-trailer so that we may accommodate.

Go through a gauntlet of various competitions, to become the next Defender of Dragons! Armored combatants and rapier combatants: you will have the opportunity to fight until you can't fight anymore! Stay hale and healthy so that the chirurgeonate is bored!

Directions from al-Barran and Points South: Take your best route to the northern-most Bernalillo exit (NM 550 to Cuba and Farmington) off of the King's Highway (I-25). Take NM 550 to San Ysidro. Turn right (east) onto NM 4 (heading to Jemez Springs). Travel on NM 4 about 30-35 miles (through Jemez Pueblo and Jemez Springs) until you see the turn-off for Forest Road 289 (also known as St. Peter's Dome Road) (a right marked with an SCA sign). Follow Forest Road 289 until you see the site (about 2 miles). The site is on your right, in a large meadow with a medium-sized gravel parking lot in front.

The directions website, www.mapquest.com, does provide directions to the intersection of Forest Road 289 and NM 4: type in the destination of "St. Peter's Dome Road and Highway 4, Jemez, NM 87025" into the starting or ending destination box. From that intersection, you will travel down the dirt-road that is St. Peter's Dome Road about 2 miles. The site is on your right, in a large meadow with a medium-sized gravel parking lot in front.

Defender's Folly

Barony of Caer Galen
17-19 July 2009
5 p.m. Friday, July 17th to noon Sunday July 19th
Where: Rendezvous Site -SVHS Tallow River Trappers, Weld county Road 14 ½ and ¾ miles West of Highway
Autocrats: Sir Gareth of Gryphon's Nest (Kent Parker) 303-920-1142 kjparker01@msn.com and Lady Cera ingen Ronain (Audrey Wilvert) 303-883-1743 ajwilvert@comcast.net
Site Fees: $15 adult member; $5 child
$40 family cap
$3 nonmember surcharge applies
Checks payable to "SCA, Inc. – Caer Galen"
Site is wet

Since our conquest of the Northern Outlands is complete, we decided that this year would be a good time to combine Jester's Folly and Caer Galen Defender. Now, in one compact package we will have the best of both events, such as Friday Night Fights, Flaming Arrows, the Known World's only fruit shoot, and the Outlands' only siege weapon competition. Added to this there will be a "boar" hunt as well as other heavy weapons challenges coordinated by Sir Gareth, devious and challenging shoots developed by Lord Simon of Ravenswood and exciting rapier matches planned by Her Excellency Signy von Velden. Once all the fighting, fencing, shooting and lobbing of heavy objects is done, the Platte River is just over the hill for us to cool off in.

Fees are same whether camping or noncamping. Please makes checks payable to SCA-Caer Galen. If you wish to prepay, please contact Lady Cera ingen Ronain at 303-883-1743 (ajwilvert@comcast.net).

Restrictions/Warnings: There is no potable water on site. Please bring you own drinking water.Above ground fire pits only. (Minimum of 6") Fire restrictions may apply. Pets must be on leash. The site is adjacent to the Platte River – children should have adult supervision at all times. Although there is a fair amount of shade, bringing additional shade is advisable. Bring bug spray.

So, how do I get there: From I-25 take exit 235 (Highway 52 (east). Make a left (north) at Highway 85. Make another left on 14th St/CR 14 ½. Site is approximately ½ miles west of Highway 85 on country Road 14 ½ Fort Lupton, CO

Fontaine Fun Days Baronial Polling

Hosted by the Barony of Fontaine dans Sable
18 July 2009
10 am to midnight
5 CR 3526, Flora Vista, NM 87415
Autocrat: THL Ceara McCain (mka Kerri Howlett) 505-326-5407
This is a FREE event!
Site is wet

Unto those gentles of the Outlands,

Let it be known that Their Excellencies of the glorious barony of Fontaine dans Sable are nearing the end of their tenure. Though we are sad to see this well-loved couple step down, it is time to select their heirs. Come one and all! Let your voices be heard regarding the next set of nobility for this fine barony.

Directions: Take 550 towards Farmington. Turn onto CR 550. Go through 4-way stop. Turn onto CR 3526.

Nock on Wood:

Experiment in Missilery

July 31 & August 1
Site opens: 3 pm on Friday and closes promptly at 10 am on Sunday
Cedro Peak Campsite, Cibola National Forest
Site Fees are $15, children under 12 free.
Autocrat: Djurig von Aukring known as Druid d.aukring@Yahoo. com
Site is discretely wet.

There will be a pot-luck feast on Saturday evening under the Ramada.

Target Archery, Thrown Weapons, Combat archery and maybe a Siege Weapon or two.

Bring your own water. As a precaution, please have a fire extinguisher and shovel for each camp site. Expect Fire Conditions to be Extreme.

Directions: From Albuquerque , take 1-40 eastbound. Exit at Tijeras (exit #175) and go south (Right Lane). At the stop light, go straight, onto highway 337 (old South 14). Go about 5 miles through Cibola Nat. Forest . Between mile marker 25 and 24, take a left (East) onto Juan Tomas Rd. There will be a left hand turn lane present. A short distance down, take your second left (Forest Road 252) and the Cedro Peak Campground is one mile down on the west side.

Baron's War

July 23rd-26th, 2009
The Barony of Dragonsspine
Opens 12pm July 23rd - Closes 12pm July 26th
Lost Burro Camp Ground, Florissant, CO
http://www.lostburro.com
Autocrat: Lady Zafirah al-`Aliyyah (Sabrinacole11@gmail.com)
Cell: (719) 237-3042
Fees:
Adult - $27; Youth - $8
Family Cap - $75; Day Trip - $12
Merchant - $20 (This is in addition to site fee)
Parking - $10
Non-member surcharge - $3
Please make checks payable to "SCA Inc. – Dragonsspine"
Site is Wet!
Campfires allowed barring fire bans
Showers and Restrooms
Campground Store
Firewood
Pets allowed on a leash

Website:
http://leofsige.googlepages.com/baronswar

Registration:
Pre-Registration is available through ACCEPS
Please visit:
http://acceps.ansteorra.org/index.php

This year we aim to bring much fun and enjoyment to Dragonsspine with Baron's War: The Naughty Pirate. There will be fighting, there will be contests, there will be merry making a plenty. There will be so much that you have to see it to believe it! So come to Dragonsspine to find out what all the fuss is about. You'll be sad you missed it if you do.

Parking:
We will have reserved parking for 100 spaces. If you are bringing a trailer and are paying for reserved parking you MUST pay for a space for your trailer as well as you vehicle!

Directions
From North or South. Take 1-25 to Dragonsspine (Colorado Springs, CO) to the Cimmaron exit, Exit 141. Head West on Colorado Highway 24 towards the Mountains. Continue through Woodland Park and through Divide to Florissant (29) miles. Turn Left on CR Teller #1, which is right next to the Thunderbird Inn. Head South for 13.4 miles to Lost Burro Camp Ground.

Unser Hafen Champions:

Tailteann Games - The Revival

Hosted by the Barony of Unser Hafen
August 1, 2009
Site opens 8:00 a.m. and closes 8:00 p.m
Event Stewards: Garin Valant de Gent (Jeffrey Hampton, 905 N 2nd St, Johnstown, CO 80534, 303-775-2441, garin_degent@q.com)
Mistress Rossilin von Hohenzollern
(Shannon Moyes Clark 970-593-1488 shannonm@frii.com)
Tailtiu Hill (at Sun Pony Ranch), 18490 Weld County Road 1, Berthoud, CO
Site Fee = $7 Adult / youth 7-14 $3 / Under 7 Free/ Family cap of $20
$3 non-member fee applies to adult site fees.
Checks payable to "SCA inc. - Barony of Unser Hafen"

"A fair with gold, with silver, with games, with music of chariots, with adornment of body and of soul by means of knowledge and eloquence.
A fair without sin, without fraud, without reproach, without insult, without contention, without seizure, without theft, without redemption.
One thousand years and two (this is true) all but one year [or maybe two], Tailteann lay deserted, alas how long! And the green of the hill without a chariot.
[From "Tailtiu," the Metrical Dindeshencas, 1007 A.D.]

The Tailteann Games have been revived by Their Excellencies, The Baron and Baroness of Unser Hafen!!
Games and tournaments to run all day along with fun contests for everyone including a hurling game. Unser Hafen Champion Tournaments will be held for Warden, Equerry, Defender and Protector.
CLAN COMPETITION: All spectators and tournament participants will become members of one of three "clans" for the day. The Clan with the most chivalrous deeds and enthusiasm will win accolades at the end of the day.

Order of the day will be as follows: Site Opens 8:00 a.m.
Opening Ceremonies 9:00 a.m. Archery 10:00 a.m. Rapier 11:30 a.m.
Hurling Game Noon Equestrian 1:30 p.m. Heavy Fighting 3:00 p.m. Closing Ceremonies 5:00 p.m.
Bring your guild and craft wares for trade or barter! Market will run all day.

Children's activity tentative schedule: Bilberry Hunt 10:00 a.m., Stickhorse races & obstacle course: 10:30 a.m.; Garland making: 11:30 a.m.
Additional games during the day for all ages!

"Harvest" lunch served 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. = $5 Adult / Youth 7-14 $3 / Under 7 Free
Food coordinated by Lady Safiyya bint Faris al Dani and Lady Madeleine de Seraucourt
Bring chairs and shade tents.
Parking is limited, please car pool if possible.
See the webpage at http://www.unserhafen.org/ActivitiesPages/Champions2009.html for more information

Directions: From I-25 - Take I-25 to Hwy 56, Berthoud exit. Go West on Hwy 56. Turn left on County Road 1. Proceed south for 3 miles, the ranch will be on your left. www.sunponyranch.com for a map and more site location information.

Outlands Southern Regional

A & S Colligium

August 1, 2009
HOSTED BY: Barony Fontaine dans Sable
Tibbitts Junior High School
312 E Apache St. – Farmington, NM 87401
Site opens at 8:30am and closes at 5:00pm
Autocrat: Lady Michelet MaRae Chavaux (Michele Tillen) * (505)-860-5195 * e-mail: mtruby@sjcounty.net
Site Fees: Adult $12 (17+) – Child $6.00 (8 – 16) – Children under 8 free
Non-Member surcharge $3
(Light lunch included in site fee)
Please make checks payable to "SCA Inc. – Fontaine dans Sable"
No pets; Site is Dry
Website: COMING SOON

Join us for a day of fun and instruction in the warm land of Fontaine dans Sable. Artists and Scientists from all over the South and a few from other lands have polished their teaching skills and are ready to share their passions with other likeminded souls.

This event is for you. We have even made space for those good gentles of the Heavy and Light Weapons community. Pick up fighting and classes to improve your game await so bring your armor.

A light sub-sandwich lunch will be served on site, but if you are inclined to a larger meal, there are plenty of options in the area.

Have a skill you have always wanted to learn more about? Got skills you would like to share? Let us know. Please get your information into the Autocrat as soon as possible. Time slots and space are first asked for first assigned.

Directions to site: From Bloomfield – US 64 Take US 64 West to Farmington until it becomes Broadway Stay on Broadway until you get to the light at Butler/Pinion Turn North onto Butler until you get to Apache (light at top of hill) You will see the school to the west Turn West onto Apache and follow signs to parking area

From Aztec – US 550/NM 516 Take NM 516 West from Aztec to Farmington. Turn North onto Pinion Hills (this is a large traffic light). Follow Pinion Hills until you reach Butler - you will pass two traffic lights and the San Juan College Complex - the roadway will be 4 lane the whole way and the turn off is just before it becomes 2 lane . Turn South onto Butler past 4 traffic lights to Apache. Turn West onto Apache and follow signs to parking area

St. Sebastian's Archery
and Caerthen Archery Warden
and Crossbowman Competition

Saturday August 15, 2009
8:00am to 4:00pm .
Quint Valley Fairgrounds. Byers Colorado.
Site fee: $3.00. Children 12 and under: free unless they are taking part in the shooting, then the adult fee applies.
$3 non-member surcharge applies
Autocrat: THL Cecelia Corr Mhaire, Mary Conley, 303-433-0132, corr.mhaire@juno.com

All archers are called upon to come and show their prowess with the handbow and crossbow. St Sebastians is alive and well with yet another change of location. This year we will be at the Quint Valley Fairgrounds (site for Crossroads). For those of you who know the site we will be shooting in the back area where the drumming is held. There will be water on site but be sure to bring something to sit on and shade if you wish to be comfortable. The Caerthen Archery Warden and Crossbowman Tournament(s) will be held during St Sebastians after lunch.

Please join us for another year of his lordship Eric's entertaining shoots as well as the determination of the archery champions for Caerthe. The Caerthen Cooks Guild has been approached about providing a donation lunch for the day. Additional information will forthcoming as soon as it is available. If it is anything like last year's, it will be great. Any profits will go to a worthy fund in the barony, so you don't even have to pack a lunch. Each archer must have a minimum of 12 arrows for their own use. Plan on shooting till your fingers fall off. St Sebastians Shoots will begin at 9:00am. (Warm up will be at 8:30) There will be a break for lunch followed by the Archery Warden and Crossbowman shoots. Court will be at her Excellency's convenience.

PLEASE NOTE: There is a $3 non-member surcharge, if you cannot provide proof of membership (a current blue or white card or publication label from the most current Outlandish Herald) at the gate. Waiver requirements will be enforced

All fairgrounds regulations apply. Discreetly wet site, however you will not be allowed to shoot if you have been drinking. Dogs are welcome, but must be on a leash (with some one or some thing stable attached to the other end).

Directions: From Denver, I-70 east 33 miles exit at Byers, CO. Turn north (left) on Main St. (US-36) and proceed for approx 1ƒ2 mile to Quint Valley Fairgrounds entrance on the left.

Clann War

A Highlands Hillbilly Hoedown

August 14-16, 2008
Nahrun Kabirun
Sam Tobias Camp Ground, Lincoln Forest – Ruidoso, NM 88345
Autocrat: THL Corbin de Heather (aka Booger) (575) 621-2388 – corbincenturion@yahoo.com
$10 per member - $3 nonmember fee. Ages 6-12 - $5. Children under 6 are free.
Family Cap (2 adults and their non-adult children) $30 plus non-member fee per individuals.
$3 non-member surcharge applies
Please make checks payable to "SCA Inc. – Nahrun Kabirun"
Site is wet!

After a long hot summer join us in the cool high mountains of the southern Outlands for tournaments and much merriment. There will be plenty of competitions in the arts of war – including (Mac)Hatfields vs. McCoys (heavy), and MacDonalds vs. Campbells (rapier), light and heavy tournaments, and archery competitions. Evening festivities are always merry! The site includes RV parking (no hook ups), water, and limited electricity. Restaurants, laundry mats, and hotels are less than 5 miles away in Ruidoso. The weather is comfortable (70s) during the day and cool at night (40s) with always a chance of rain. The site is wet and camp restrictions will be announced closer to the event.

Directions: From Nahrun and Citadel take your best route to Hwy 54. In Tularosa turn right on to Hwy 70. From al-Barran take your best route to Hwy 54 (One suggestion is I25 south to Hwy 380 and turn east, at Carrizozo turn south onto Hwy 54). Turn left onto Hwy 70. In Ruidoso turn left onto Sudderth. Turn right onto Mechem. Turn Left on Cedar Creek Drive. Turn right into Sam Tobias/Cedar Creek Camp site.

Caer Galen Ice Cream Social

Barony of Caer Galen
August 16, 2009
Quail Ridge Greenbelt Park, Longmont CO, 80501
Autocrat: Massimiliano, unlikely@gmail.com
Site opens at 11 AM, closes at sunset
Site Fee: Free to All

Come one, come all to the Caer Galen Ice Cream Social, Sunday the 16th of August. No formal activities will be scheduled, but bring your armor, your fencing gear, your squirt-wheellocks, and your foam weapons just in case! There will be a potluck table up, so bring stuff to share and plan to play and socialize all day. The barony will provide ice cream and a few toppings, to be served promptly at sometime after 2 PM.

Courts at Their Excellencies' whim.

Directions: Take HWY 287 to Quail road. Go East on Quail, and turn right on Emery. Follow Emery to Ridge, turn Right. Follow Ridge till it becomes Carriage, and park along street.

Black Hart Ball

August 22, 2009
Host group: Readstan
2:00-9:00 pm
Parker Mainstreet Center, 19650 E. Mainstreet, Parker, CO
Autocrat: THL Magdalena Lucia Ramberti (Christa Gordon)
3263 S Bahama St Aurora CO 80013
720-207-8106 (Anorathepain@aol.com)
Fees: Adult $6, Children under 12: free
$3 non-member surcharge
Please make checks payable to "SCA Inc. – Readstan"
(Hall is dry, there is a bar/restaurant next door! However, we will be providing child safe beverages on tap - tea and lemonade)

So, da Family Chipanizzi (cheep-an-ezy), workin wit da Canton of Readstan, wishes to invite youze all to a fabulous dance type Ball. Dis here shindig will provide you alls wit plenty of dancin' like what you get wit any fancy-type occasions, such as dis is gonna be. But don' get us wrong! This is strictly for pleasure, and seein' as how our lawyer will be outta town dat week, no business will be conducted formally. However, those of youse who is not under the protection of the SCA, there will be $3 charge (non-member surcharge) to assure dat nothin' untowards might happen.

Now dis event did not fall offa the truck, so for youse what don't know the dances, it's okay. We gotta guy. In fact, we got three guys what'll teach youse how to do it! Now, for doze of you who is not of the Italian persuasion, come as you would in your own locale, but hey, dress nice, or Fat Tony will cry. And fear not, ifn you needs some amanity, we more dan understand if youze needs to wear a mask (masquerade). We ain't askin' no questions, yanno what I mean? fuggedaboutit!

So, knowin' that Fat Tony has a sweet tooth, and dancin is good for the appetite, wez asking that you consider bringing somethin' sweet for the buffet to share with Fat Tony and we know there will be enough left over for everyone else to sample (dessert potluck). However, round dinner time, Fat Tony is working to arrange a special discount with local reputable vendors of food and beverage just outside the door. Beverages on the up and up will be provided for all those thirsty dancers by Nana Chipanizzi, who will not be in attendance due to a little mix up at da docks.

Now, we know youze wanna dance and rub elbows with de cream del ela creme (heh, dats French!), right? And we know youse got fancy duds left over from your last court case, right? So, why don't you wanna come do our ball, eh? You know you want to come... cuz you know you don't wannamake Fat Tony cry, riiiiight? Good, ya get my drift. See youze there! Bring the kiddies, they will love it.

Schedule:
2pm - Dance instruction
5pm - Dinner Break
6pm - Ball wit da dancin'
9:30 - wez clean up after youze. It s'alright.

Directions from I-25: Take I-25 to Lincoln Avenue. Go East on Lincoln Avenue to Parker Road (Hwy 83). Go South on Parker Road to Mainstreet. Go east on Mainstreet for about one-half mile. The Mainstreet Center, which is a large brick building, is located on the south side of Mainstreet just past the Mainstreet/Pikes Peak Drive intersection.

From E-470: Take E-470 to Parker Road (Hwy. 83). Go South on Parker Road to Mainstreet. Go east on Mainstreet for about one-half mile. The Mainstreet Center, which is a large brick building, is located on the south side of Mainstreet just past the Mainstreet/Pikes Peak Drive intersection.

Construction on the Mainstreet Streetscape project in historic downtown Parker is underway. Please be advised that access to the Mainstreet Center from Mainstreet may be impacted during certain phases of construction.

To access the Mainstreet Center, follow the above directions, except turn right (south) on Pikes Peak Drive. Continue one block and turn left (east) onto Pikes Peak Court and the Mainstreet Center parking lot. Pikes Peak Drive can be accessed from Parker Road via Clubhouse Drive.

Here There Be Dragons

Hosted by the Shire of Plattefordham
August 28-30th, 2009
Opens at 2:00 p.m. Friday, August 28; closes 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 30
South Rec Complex, Glenrock, Wy 82637
Autocrats: Lord Balthazar and Lady Enneleyn von Knopf (Travis and Robyn Blankenbaker)
P.O. Box 485, Glenrock Wy, 82637
(307) 797-0709 or (307) 797-3988 e-mail: enneleyn1525@yahoo.com
Fees: Adult site $10.00; Adult feast $10.00
Child site $5.00; Child feast $5.00; Children 10 and under are free
Family cap of $60.00
Non-member surcharge of $3.00 to all adult non-members
Please make checks payable to: "SCA, Inc-Shire of Plattefordham"
Site is discreetly wet

Good Lords, Ladies, and gentle folk of the northern world, the Shire of Plattfordham brings you welcome and invites one and all to come join us for a weekend of great fighting, food and general merriment aplenty!

We will start our tournaments friday evening, and wont let up till sunday morning for all the fighting anyone can wish for! Sat afternoon will bring our grand feature of or Castle battle! Combat archers are especially welcome to man the two towers and pick off all who approach! For any fighter who still has the energy (and non-rusting armour) the stream on the return trip make for great fighting as well!

We will be holding a dragon themed A&S compitions for all the artisans of our great Kingdom! Any dragon themed item can be entered, no documentation required. Please contact Lady Lynette at purplepanther3579@yahoo.com for any questions or inquiries.

The fabulous feast will be prepared by our lovely Lady Arnora. Bring your appetite prepared for a truly delectable delight. Please contact Enneleyn von Knopf (Robyn Blankenbaker) at 307-797-3988 or enneleyn1525@yahoo.com for feast reservations and dietary concerns. We will be limiting feast to 125, so please make your paid reservations early!

For those who are interested in merchanting, please contact the autocrats. We will be extremely pleased to make accommodations for you.

Send checks to: Shire of Plattefordham
c/o Robyn Blankenbaker
P.O. Box 485
Glenrock, Wy 82637

Directions to site: from the south, take I-25 to exit 160. Continue west for approximately 4 miles. Turn left (south) on Mormon Canyon Road. Follow this road south until it passes under I-25. Turn right on the first road. Follow this road west into the site (approximately 3/4 of a mile).
From the north take I-25 to exit 165. Turn left (north) at the exit. Continue into Glenrock to the 4 way stop sign (4th & Birch). Turn right (east) and go approximately 1/3 of a mile. Turn right (south) onto Mormon Canyon road. Follow this road south until it passes under I-25. Turn right on the first road. Follow this road west into the site (approximately 3/4 of a mile). Signs will be posted.

Three Stags Autumn Hunt and Fair

Barony of Caerthe
4-7 September 2009
Quint Valley Fair Grounds, 568 US Hwy 36, Byers, Colorado 80103
Site opens Friday Sept 4 at 8 AM. Site closes Monday Sept 7 at 2 PM
Autocrats: Alessandra da Monte (Melissa Glasser) at
720-898-5676 melissa_alessandra@msn.com
Otoma inn Glaoi (Diane Myers) at 720-979-5180 flyingrosedragon@yahoo.com
Site fees: $15.00 pre registered adults $5.00 pre registered child (12 and under)
$18.00 adult at the door $7.00 child at the door (12 and under)
$10.00 adult feast $5.00 child feast
Site is wet
Leashed pets OK
Please bring fire extinguishers

Feast pre register only and will be pub style on Saturday evening

Pre registration will be through ACCEPS or send checks to Diane Myers P.O. Box 471241 Aurora CO 80047

Come one come all to the Barony of Caerthe in the Kingdom of the Outlands for the 3 Stags Autumn Hunt and Fair. Close out the camping season by joining us at the Hunting Lodge for three days of festivities. Highlights include Archery, Heavy and Rapier scenarios, A&S classes and displays, merchants, pub food, bardic circles and of coarse the Great Hunt on Saturday morning!

Teams of heavy and rapier fighters, archers, marshals and spotters will participate in the Great Hunt. Who would you like to be on your team?

Caerthe Hunting tip # 1 The "animals" in Caerthe are large and heavy. We recommend bringing a wagon to transport your trophies to the hunting lodge to collect your points.

Caerthe Hunting tip #2 Make room on your trophy shelves! There will be unique and unusual prizes given to the winning hunt teams.

Caerthe Hunting tip #3 After a day spent hunting in Caerthe there is still plenty to do to keep a hunter happy, like hunting for bargains in Merchants' Row.

Directions: From Denver take I 70 east to the Byers exit, go north 1/4 mile, fairground entrance is on the left

Warders Of the Western Gate

Hosted By: The Barony of Fontaine dans Sable
September 4- 7 2009
Site opens: Friday Sept.4 at 2pm, closes Monday Sept 7 at Noon
Colvig Silver Campground
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As the hot summer breeze draws near, our mighty defenders of the Western Gate grow weary from protecting the great western borders of the Outlands Kingdom in the fair barony of Fontaine dans Sable. The time has come for new champions to come forth and continue to keep our western borders well protected. Glorious fighters, archers and artisans bring your best skill and see if you have what it takes to defend the great western gate.

With heat of the summer season comes the warmth of a new chapter in the history of Fontaine dans Sable. Baron Qara Gan and Baroness Ceara McCain invite one and all to join them in investiture of the new Baron and Baroness of Fontaine dans Sable.

There will be Brewers Social on Friday evening after everyone has settled in so bring your best brew or vintage to share also there is a Pot Luck Travelers feast on Saturday evening so bring a dish to share and come dine till your belly is full and heart is content. Earn glory as you quest to find the holy grail.

Come join us with the gift of song, dance and music with a Bardic competition on Saturday evening and a drum circle on Sunday evening

Directions:
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This Months Puzzle

FROM THE SABLE CHAMBER

Secrets in Plain Sight
by Suleiman ibn Da'ud ibn Sahl al-Qalqashandi

Many of the previous columns have dealt with deciphering messages that were clearly enciphered. Yet what if you do not want anyone to know there is a message? The art of hiding messages, known as steganography, gets its name from a 1499 book although some great examples exist from ancient times.

One such example was a Median noble named Harpagus who started a revolt through a clever method of steganography. Harpagus hid a message in the belly of a newly skinned hare. He then sent a messenger to an ally posing as nothing more than a hunter. When the man reached his destination the message was retrieved from the hare. This is likened to the Roman General Histiaeus who tattooed a message on the plain shaved head of a slave. After the hair grew back he sent the slave forth and delivered the hidden words, a message that was not known to the slave himself!

Yet it was a German named Johannes Trithemius who laid out the many principles of secret writing in a groundbreaking work of 1499 called "Steganographia", a title that is derived from a Greek set of words for secret writing. This book called attention to a number of subjects including the occult. It so inspired contemporaries that it was copied and copied for the next hundred years, partially in secrecy, before being banned by the Roman Catholic Church in the year of sixteen hundred nine.

During his own lifetime, Trithemius felt the brunt of people who feared it and were reviled by some of the contents of "Steganographia". As such, not even the fact that he was a Benedictine Abbot of Spanheim assuaged them. To partially answer this, Trithemius ventured into a composition called "Polygraphia". This work built upon the Benedictine tradition set forth in a "Treatise of Diplomacy". Within the Treatise a cipher was described that substituted vowels for dots, an 'a' had one dot, an 'e' two dots, etc.

"Polygraphia" greatly enahnced this, though, by listing a series of alphabets consisting of whole words that could represent a single letter. The words, in what is sometimes known as the "Ave Maria" cipher, were carefully chosen to make sense when used together. In this manner, a person could compose what looked like a prayer but in reality, would be writing a secret message. Trithemius further suggested composing nonsense words and then using only every other letter of every other word for the secret message.

Of course, one of the biggest problems with the "Ave Maria" cipher is that it takes a long time to write a message and even short messages require a fair amount of parchment. As such, it will not be used for this month's puzzle though Trithemius's fasciantion with Kabbalistic rituals and ways of hiding them will be. In fact, the message for this month has already been hidden within the column (hint - quotation marks were used for books' names). It should be a good entrance into the world of steganography even if it does not incorporate the ancient Spartan device known as a Skytale.

Ah but that, fellow Outlanders, is secret writing for another day.

LAST COLUMN'S ANSWER: Last Column's puzzle was a book cipher that used the kings of the Outlands as the Key (1,8 referred to the eight letter of Gunwaldt, the first King of the Outlands). The solution is the first paragraph of the event announcement for the First Crown Tournament of the Outlands:

The First Crown Lists of the Kingdom of the Outlands and the Coronation of the new King and Kween ov the Outlands wil be held on Saturday, June fourteenth, AS XXI, in the Barony ov Caerthe (Denver, Colorado). The site for both the lists and Cornoation wil be St. Andrew's Seminary, ten fifty South Birch St .

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